OKLAHOMA HAS EYE ON BIG COAL LANDS RAILROADS COVET

Strong Sentiment Prevails in Convention in Favor of Action.

· LOBBYISTS IN STRUGGLE

Outnumber Representatives of the People at Guthrie Gathering.

It is doutbful if since the great strug-gle over the admission of Missouri in the Union there has been so tremendous a conflict of interests, in connection with the organization of a new State, as is today in progress in the constitutional onvention of Oklahoma, at Guthrie. Missouri's was a struggle between freedom and slavery. Oklahoma's is a contest between the people and the great interests which seek control of the tre-mendous natural resources of the State -its coal and oil-and would dictate the terms on which in future the new State

shall deal with corporations. There are 110 members of the consti tutional convention which began its sittings three weeks ago. The spirit of liberalism and progressivism dominates the gathering. The "interests" made de-termined efforts to get their kind of people into the convention, but almost uniformly failed. Now they are resorting to the methods of the lobby and of manipulation and misleading. From the

sulting in a scattering of many representatives of private interests. But there are still lobbyists by the hundred; several times as many of tnem as of the convention's members. There is a Standard Oil lobby, various railroad lobbies, sundry coal land lobbles, divers officials of the Choctaw and Chickasaw nations, trying to protect their interests in the coal and asphalt lands; anumber of labor lobbles, endeavoring to secure insertion of advanced expressions on labor, child employment, employers' liability, a declaration against a fellow-servant law, regulation of hours of labor, and all related subjects. There is a woon labor, child employment, employers' liability, a declaration against a fellow-servant law, regulation of hours of labor, and all related subjects. There is a woservant law, regulation of hours of labor, and all related subjects. There is a woman suffrage lobby, a school-book trust lobby, and a lobby of independent oil producers as opposed to the Standard. Illustrating the temper of this convention. It has developed that there is a strong sentiment in favor of the new State taking over the great coal fields on the continent, are owned by the Choctaw and Chickasaw Indians, the Government, are owned by the Choctaw and Chickasaw Indians, the Government acting as trustee for them. They do not the mines is sold 160 miles away at \$6 per ton, take the ground that nothing less than State ownership can protect the community in future. They demand that the credit of the new State be employed to buy these mineral rights. The alternatives, as they view it, are that the Federal Government will retain management of the field and lease the mining rights. Otherwise some huge private interest will ultimately get control of the field.

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THE POINT OF VIEW



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sional management would ultimately manipulation and misleading. From the chair of the convention, its presiding of chair of the convention and must be convented in the convention and it is state's concerns would in the end to overlooked or lost. This same problem is before Congress, which is trying to determine its policy in the matter of the names and relations of all persons who approach them regarding the business of this convention, and I recommend that all lobbyists be required to register and state in what interest they are here."

Lobbyists Frightened.

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While the interests are struggling for the floors of the constitutional convention at Guthrie, they are readin

Senator Clark's Good Work.

committee is coming to accept it, as the

Syndicate in Field.

It is understood that a syndicate is in existence which is ready and anxious to take over the entire coal field in a block, and is using every effort to bring about a situation in which this will be possible. It is charged that such an arrangement would place the whole coal business in the hands of a trust, and opposition will be maintained to the end against such a determination.

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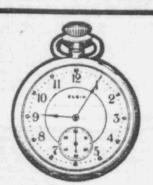
CINCINNATI, Dec. 17.—George L. V. accident on the railroad. The heart- her recent visit to this city. less corporation accused Mr. Steumer, who is twenty-four years old, unmarried, living with his mother at Avondale, of having firted with Miss Mc-

very good looking, isn't he? He needed no influence to recompense my poor sisno influence to recompense my poor sister, in part. Think of losing both your both your limbs!" exclaimed Miss Fannie, with a glance toward her toes. "Why, I did nothing but weep at the trial," and she began to cry and looked prettier than ever.

Her brother and sister soothed her, saying. "The very idea of Fannie firting!"
"George was always popular with the girls," said Steumer's proud mother, at their home, 3500 Eden street. "He has plenty of girl friends, but no sweetheart. I have never heard him speak of Miss Fannie McGuire."

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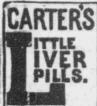
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In a long talk with her friends Mr. Thaw said that she estimated that the counsel fees would amount to \$250,000, and that close to \$75,000 would be spent Guire's sister, Miss Fannie, during the trial, and so of having been gently influenced toward his verdict. the balance of \$175,000 covering the expenses in New York and other places.

"The idea of any one saying that I smiled at or firted with a juror at the trial!" exclaimed Miss Fannie, an extremely pretty girl. "I wouldn't know Mr. Steumer if I saw him again. He's which Mrs. Thaw made.

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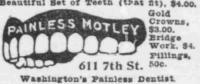
"Last year at this time I suffered with a tremendous itching on my back, which grew worse and worse, until it spread over the whole body, and only my face and hands were free. For four months or so I suffered the torments of the damned, and I had to scratch, scratch, scratch, until I bled. At night when I went to bed things got worse, and I had at times to get up and scratch my body all over, until I was as sore as could be, and until I suffered excruciating pains. I did not know what it was, and resorted to a number of blood purifiers, using at times also Cuticura Soap. They told me then that I was suffering from eczema. Then I made up my mind that I would also use Cuticura Ointment and Cuticura Resolvent. I used them according to instructions, and very soon indeed I was greatly relieved. I continued until well, and now I am ready to recommend the Cuticura Remedies to any one who suffers as did your obedient servant. Mrs. Mary Metzger, Sweetwater, Okla., June 28, 1905."

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